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Because of the desire of this office to be responsive to all inquiries and communications, your consideration of the attached is requested. Your findings and views, in duplicate form, along with return of the enclosure, will be appreciated by

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U.S. Senator K. Javits U.S.S.

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Re: Use of U.S. taxpayers' money to transport federal prisoners from Jonestown, Guyana. Victim: Henry J. Hall (3)

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January 10, 1979

Hon. Jacob K. Javits
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

RE: GUYANA TRAGEDY PAYMENT OF $9,000,000. BY UNITED STATES

Dear Senator Javits:

I received your letter of January 4, 1979. I note with interest the contents of your letter. I wrote because I was really not concerned with the losses to the families of the victims nor the future prohibition of such a bizarre tragedy. All I am concerned about as a taxpayer is the indiscriminate expenditure of taxpayer's money, in this case $9,000,000. or $9,000. per funeral of taxpayer monies to bring back these individuals to the United States and our participation in involving ourselves in Guyana with the followup after the tragedy. $9,000,000. is a substantial amount of money to expend for good will and humanitarian efforts.

I am informed that this organization, according to the papers, has substantial assets. Everything should be done to recover the expenditure of these monies by the United States Government. I would appreciate hearing from you in the future as to what means are being followed to recover the expenditure of taxpayer's money.

Very truly yours,

Henry J. Holley

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December 8, 1978

Senator Jacob K. Javits
U. S. Senate Building
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Dear Sir:

It is not too often that I write letters to request my Senator to take positions and investigate matters concerning the administration of our Federal Government. However, in following the news reports on the Guyana situation I find it quite disturbing that the United States Government, under some general theory of the public interest or welfare, which is the only constitutional basis that I can consider as authority, that the United States is expending nine million dollars in the removal, burial and investigation in the Guyana incident. I question the constitutional authority to do such act or acts in expending public monies. I think an investigation should be made to determine who authorized the same and legislation introduced to prevent such reckless expenditures of public tax monies.

It is my understanding that the House of Representatives is the appropriation body for monies expended in the United States. I would like a reference as to what particular part of the budget these monies were expended from and by what authority. More importantly, since the monies have been expended, is the question of reimbursement since the reports indicate that this group identified as a cult has extensive accounts and holdings and should be held responsible for reimbursement to the Federal Government. As I compute the expenditures, we are in the area of $10,000 per person per processing and funeral. I do not recall in 22 years of practice ever seeing an undertaker's bill for this kind of money and I think someone has gone overboard in representing Uncle Sam and the taxpayers of the United States as the good guy in expending monies in this matter.

May I hear from you on this?

Very truly yours,

Henry J. Holley

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